

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 10/542,254  
Applicant : Philippe Caplain, et al.  
Filed : July 15, 2005  
T/C/A.U. : 3673  
Examiner : GILBERT Y LEE  
Title : SEALING JOINT WITH PLATE-LIKE INTERNAL  
STRUCTURE FOR VERY HIGH TEMPERATURES  
Confirmation No. : 2741  
Docket No. : 38469  
Customer No. : 000116

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**Amendment "C"**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated May 7, 2007. The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on August 7, 2007. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request and petition that the response date be extended 2 months, up to and including October 7, 2007. Please charge the requisite fees for the extension of time, the one independent claim in excess of three, and the 12 claims in excess of twenty to Deposit Account No. 16-0820, Order No. BRV-38469.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.